

Fully electronic medical records can reduce errors by over 80%. You may have seen such a system like the one at ENH hospitals called "EPIC". It was one of the first such systems in the world.

Already, veterans under the care of the VA, have such records and their care has visibly risen above civilian hospitals that do not have such technology.

Congress is now moving to expedite the deployment of electronic medical records for all Americans. I am working with Congresswoman Nancy Johnson to set federal common standards, to speed communication between primary care physicians, specialists and hospitals. We are also looking forward to the announcement by the HHS Department on their "Uniform Health Information Technology (IT)" standard. With privacy protections, these reforms will make sure your doctor has your complete file that will never be lost.